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FROM: John Keller, Director of Learning Technologies, Indiana Department of Education
TO: School Superintendents, Technology Coordinators, and School Business Officials
DATE: April 7, 2010
RE: State Connectivity Grant Award Notification & Upcoming Webinar

The distribution and allocation of state funds to support internet connections is undergoing a change beginning on July 1, 2010. In the past, the state funds were distributed in the form of a credit on the ENA invoice. For the E-rate service year beginning July 1, 2010, state connectivity funds will be distributed directly to schools on a quarterly basis. This process was outlined in an award letter sent on April 1st to each school that is participating on the state network. The letter was sent via e-mail to the DOE contact for the E-Rate Consortium for Internet Services under the state contract. The letter provides details about funds a school corporation can expect to receive from the connectivity fund for the 2010-2011 service year. Once the superintendent and the technology coordinator have read the award letter formatted for their school, they can simply download and complete the [assurances](#) form and return it to the DOE by May 1st. This will ensure that funds are distributed to schools in a timely manner.

The allocation formula for these funds has also changed. A full explanation of how the allocation works is available at: <http://www.doe.in.gov/olt/technology/documents/FundingFormulaExample.pdf>

The DOE is hosting a webinar on April 21st, from 9:00-10:00 a.m. EST (see details below) to answer questions that schools may have about these changes. We have invited representatives from ENA, Judy Carnal from AdTec, and the DOE finance team to join us on the call. We are aware that this call may conflict with other events and will be recording the call and posting it on the E-rate Information Center (<http://www.doe.in.gov/olt/technology/erate.html>) by April 23rd so that anyone who cannot attend can access the session. In the mean time, please address questions on these changes to Marcia Ping mping@doe.in.gov; (FAX) 317-232-9121; (PHONE) 317-232-9186.

Connectivity Funds Distribution and Allocation Webinar

Meeting Date: April 21, 2010
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